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Bill Drafters. They didn't quite have it right when it came down the first time. In Section 32, that coincides with LB 1114 that was passed last year, and this would say that...to insure the ag societies will comply with the act. There's an omission in Section 33. There's also a Bill Drafters' error that they struck a section on page 19, line 18, they struck that. So it's just mainly Bill Drafters' errors that came down. They're very technical. I would move for the amendment. Thank you.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: Thank you, Senator. Any discussion of the Schellpeper amendment? Seeing none, Senator Schellpeper, do you wish to close? Closing is waived. The question before you is the adoption of the Schellpeper amendment to LB 469. All those in favor vote aye; all those opposed vote nay. Have you all voted? Please record.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of Senator Schellpeper's amendment.

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Schellpeper amendment is adopted.

CLERK: Senator Beutler would move to amend. (FA51 appears on page 877 of the Legislative Journal.)

PRESIDENT ROBAK: The Chair recognizes Senator Beutler to open on his amendment.

SENATOR BEUTLER: Madam Lieutenant Governor, members of the Legislature, this is an amendment that makes two adjustments. There's a section in the bill whereby you can dissolve a county agricultural society upon a written petition. And in there now is a written petition of not less than 25 percent of the registered voters of the county. That, in my opinion, is a little bit high. And I'm suggesting in the amendment that it be reduced to 15 percent, which is the same number of voters that you need to get on a petition to do other things of a similar nature. Then on the vote itself, once the vote is called, the language of the bill required 60 percent of the voters to vote in favor of dissolution in order for it to dissolve. And I've simply changed that to 50 percent, which again I think is the more philosophically agreeable number. Majority is what we usually do in those situations. So I'm suggesting those two